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## Comment Of The Day

### ROCKETS OR BUTTER

WE cannot refrain from complimenting the United Kingdom on the forthright statement issued by the British Advisory Council of Scientific Policy. This says Britain could launch a space programme only at the expense of its own economic health and aid Britain wishes to extend to its Colonies and under-developed areas.

That is fair enough. As a statement it has no ambiguous twist. It leaves no uncertainty in the mind.

It means in effect that if Britain should enter the space race on competitive terms, her people would have to go without butter on their bread.

### Curtailed

THAT the vast Government welfare policies would have to be cut down and the aid Britain offers to her neighbours and dependencies would have to be curtailed.

The decision is made. A wise and humane decision. A decision that contrasts nobly with so many of the arrogant statements issued from time to time by those who refuse to see that power politics are anachronisms, survivals of the nineteenth century.

By making this decision, it does not mean that Britain is unaware of the enormous prestige that will accompany the launching of the first man into space, always providing he returns safely.

### Not Unaware

NOR is Britain unaware that this event must soon be accomplished, either by the Soviet Union or by the United States.

But, the statement goes on, Britain must be content with a modest study programme in co-operation with other international bodies for space research.

Now let us examine this statement more clearly. It does not say that Britain cannot join in the space race. It does not say Britain cannot afford to join in.

It does, however, say that Britain can join in only by lowering the standard of living of its people and dependents, and by diverting aid rendered to less fortunate countries to the space programme exchequer.

Britain says she will not do that.

### Join In

THEN comes, in plain language, what seems to us one of the most responsible statements issued by a Great Power. It says, in effect, if any other country working on a modest budget would like to join Britain in a space research programme, Britain would welcome such a partnership.

We have only to consider what might have been accomplished even at this moment if the nations of the world had gone forward together and had pooled their resources, instead of going on in foolish childish rivalry. Then it could have been said with truth, "The sky's the limit."

# TUG MASTER TELLS HOW HE FOUND VESSEL AFTER IT HAD DRIFTED 600 MILES SUCCESSFUL SEARCH FOR SHIP

### Abandoned

### By Crew After Typhoon

The search for a typhoon-battered Japanese freighter abandoned and drifting in the South China Sea since November 17, was like "looking for a needle in a haystack."

Captain William Worrall, master of the Hongkong salvage tug Taikoo said this when he successfully towed in the ship Yoneyama Maru early this morning after 28 days strayed in rough seas.

He picked her up in the vastness of the sea on an estimated position the ship was last reported drifting. But Capt. Worrall did not credit the accuracy of the estimation. He said he found the ship on the element of luck."

The Yoneyama Maru had been drifting more than 600 miles across the South China Sea.

#### Met Typhoon

The sea-drama started when the Japanese ship was on her way from Gon to Japan with 9,000 tons of iron ore aboard.

While off Basco, an island between Taiwan and Luzon, on November 12, she encountered Typhoon Eduna. The heavy seas damaged her steering gear.

Captain Worrall said that it was only luck that the radar picked up the ship. If the ship was just a fraction of a mile away beyond the range of the radar, he could have missed the ship and searched a 100 miles in the wrong direction.

Asked what he thought of the operation, the veteran salvage expert said it was extremely risky to play around with a drifting ship.

He praised the 10-inch thick nylon tow line the tug had used for the job. It had an elasticity of about 25 per cent, he said.

The operation might not have been successful, he added. If a wire cable was used as there was a possibility of snapping in rough seas.

The tug took two sampans with her for transportation between the tug and the ship. They did an excellent job, Capt. Worrall said.

The Yoneyama Maru is now berthed at Kowloon Bay where she will undergo preliminary repairs. She will then be towed back to Japan.

Three days earlier, the tug Taikoo, Dockyard and Engineering Co. Ltd., was sent to the ship's aid.

The tug returned to Hongkong on Nov. 19 as she was forced back by the severity of Typhoon Freda. But later the same day she was ordered out again.

#### Returned

At a point 100 miles northwest of Luzon on November 21 she picked up the ill-fated ship by radar 14 miles away.

A north easterly gale was blowing and the tug could not get close to the ship until two days later.

A tow line was then fixed and the tow began. On November 26, the tug had to cast off the tow as the gale was gaining force and returned to Hongkong again.

Captain Worrall said he slipped the tow for the simple reason that the ship was in a very dangerous position. He explained that with a load of iron ore, the ship could go down in about two minutes and take the tug with it.

On November 29, the tug left Hongkong on the third mission. The ship was picked up again by the tug's radar on December 1 some 150 miles north-east of the Paracels.

The tug's boiler room of the Yoneyama Maru and the engine room were now flooded from leaking along the propeller shaft. A party of the tug's crew boarded the ship and began pumping water out of the ship to make her safe for towing.

The pumping operation took two days in the middle of the ocean before the tug and its tow headed for the Lincoln Island, near the Paracels.

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# PERSONAL SAVING IN U.K.

## London Closes Higher

London, Dec. 9. Prices turned higher on the stock exchange today in fairly heavy dealings.

Buying was spurred by the big advance on Wall Street yesterday as well as by a recovery in the sterling rate.

Gold-edged securities, sharply higher early in the session, turned only to better on average as the sterling rate slipped back below the 29.80 mark.

Apart from stocks which registered disappointment with the latest of dividends, industrials moved ahead.

Ford and BMC gained ground in motors, while Courtaulds, ICI, Turner & Newall, Phillips Lamps and Guest Keen closed with good gains.

Shipping, bank property firms and all lending stores were up. A feature was a jump of 15.9 for Cross & Blackwell to 76.3d.

Dollar stocks were very steady while gold shares slipped back after a strong start. Capers were dull and oils easier.

### Closing Prices

Guaranteed Transport 31s. 100/8-10/11  
Golds 21s. 250/-12/14  
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Conversion Loan 30s. 100/-100s.  
100s. 16

Funding Stock 31s. 100/9-200/4-10/11

Funding Loan 4s. 100/9-10/10

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Savings 3s. 100/9-10/10-11/10

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Savers 3s. 100/9-10/10-11/10

Bathgate Bank "A" Ltd ord. 63s.

Chartered Banks 5s. 6d.

Bankers 4s.

Union Insurance 4s. 5s. 5d.

Aircraft and Motors

Brown, Boveri & Cie 20s.

Ford Motor Co. 10s.

Rootes Ltd "A" 9s. 9d.

Standard Triumph International 10s.

Breweries

Dilllers Co. 3s. 9d.

Building and Materials

Associated Portland Cement 72s.

Pinnock Johnson Associate 10d.

British Steel and Engineering

Bailey & Wöhle 3s. 3d.

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Food and Tobacco

British American Tob. Co. Ltd 6s. 3d.

Imperial Tobacco Co. Ltd 6s.

Miscellaneous

Braybar, Marconi Ltd 4s. 11d.

British Gas Ord. 7s. 1d.

Canadian Pacific Ry. 47s.

Dunlop Rubber Co. 2s. 13s.

Imperial Chemical 3s. 6d.

Latex & Co. 7s. 5d.

Paper

Bowater Paper Corp. Ord. 67s.

Radio and Electrical

Associated Electrical 6s.

Electrical & Musical 6s. 2s.

General Electric 3s. 6d.

Shipping

Indo-China Steam Nav. Co. def. 4s. 1d.

Int. & O. Steam Navigation def. 4s. 1d.

Stores

Great Universal Stores "A" 51s.

Marks & Spencer Ltd 2s. 10s. 10d.

Woolworth 7s. 5d.

Textiles

Com. J. & P. Ltd 3s.

Courtlands Ltd 10s. 10d.

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Anglo-American Corp. of South Africa 20s. 4s. 2d.

Goldfields of South Africa 9s. 3d.

Con. Zinc Corp. Ord. 7s. 9d.

De Beers Ltd 10s. 10d.

Free State Development & Investment 6s. 10d.

Hungting Tin 7s. 7d.

Hand 10s. 10d.

Southern Afr. Conn. 1s. 1s. 10s. 10d.

Un. Corp. 1s. 1s. 10s. 10d.

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West Hand Cons. 5s. 1d.

Oil

British Borneo Petroleum Synd. 5s. 1d.

British Petroleum Co. Ltd 6s. 2d.

Ed.

Burmah 4s. 6d.

East African Petroleum 15s. 11s. 10s.

Shell Transport & Trading 14s.

Ed. Reuter

## Revived By Firms And Individuals

An impressive feature of the British financial scene during the past few years has been the revival of personal saving. During the nineteenth century and in the earlier part of the twentieth the British people were vigorous savers. It was their efforts which raised the capital for financing the construction of railways, tramways, ports and other public utilities in many parts of the world.

But after the second world war, probably in reaction to wartime austerity, they became for a time much more spendthrift. And down to the middle 1950s most of the saving done in Britain was done by companies and took the form of the ploughing back of business profits. Between 1948 and 1951 net savings, i.e. the excess of new savings over the replacement of old, by the British general public amounted to only £200 million a year or barely 2 per cent of total UK spending; this was less than one eighth of the savings made by companies.

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As well as investing in Government Securities the British public also puts its money into building societies; these are privately operated institutions, though under some degree of official supervision, that borrow from the public and lend to people who want to buy houses. Many of them are very large organisations with branches throughout the country. Money is accepted in sums ranging from a few shillings to several thousand pounds and can usually be withdrawn at short notice.

Electronics encountered selling with Littton falling more than two and Texas Instruments more than a point. General Motors and Chrysler gained.

Today's volume was 3,430,000 shares.

Of a total 1,258 issues traded, 352 were higher and 704 lower.

American Exchange volume was 1,680,000 shares.

Bonds volume amounted to \$7,440,000.

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Allied 5.40

### Bank Deposits

Other non-official channels of saving include deposits with the big commercial banks — which pay a small rate of interest on sums paid into deposit accounts which can only be withdrawn after notice — and deposits with companies which finance hire purchase transactions.

Finally there is investment in the shares of commercial companies. Over recent years the small British investor has been participating more widely in this field through Unit Trusts. These sell units to investors and use the proceeds to buy a wide and carefully balanced range of ordinary shares in companies which employes and firm both contribute. There has also been a big increase in the 1950s in saving for house purchase which employees and firm both contribute. There has also been a big increase in the 1950s in saving for house purchase which employees and firm both contribute.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

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Arrived: 8th December, 1959  
Damaged cargo on this vessel will be  
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at Hongkong & Kowloon Godowns at  
10:00 a.m. on Friday, 11th and Saturday,  
12th December, 1959. Consignees  
representatives are requested  
to be present during survey.BUTTERFIELD & SWINEY,  
(H.K.) LTD.,  
Agents

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The China Navigation Co., Ltd.

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Hong Kong, December 10, 1959.

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# THE NIGHT THE ATOMS RAN WILD

At eight o'clock on the morning of Friday, October 11, 1957, ginger-haired Tom Tuohy, general manager of Windscale atom works, and Kenneth Ross, his operation director, were faced with a fearful dilemma unique in history.

For 16 hours they had been trying to control a fire like a huge incendiary bomb raging in the heart of an atomic reactor the size of a cinema. Behind the concrete wall tons of uranium and scores of tons of graphite were ablaze. The only time uranium had been on fire before was in atom bombs.

Fumes loaded with radioactive atoms were escaping from the reactor's 400 ft. high chimney.

Unless the last resort was risked there was growing danger of so much radioactivity escaping that complete evacuation of the countryside might be necessary.

This last resort was the simple but highly hazardous move of attempting to douse the incandescent metal by squirting in powerful jets of water.

There was a full chance that instead of putting out the fire, the water would react with the hot uranium setting free hydrogen gas.

## Decision

If this happened there would be a tremendous buckling in the chimney, almost certainly big enough to damage the filters which were holding back most of the lethal fumes.

If the uranium was allowed to burn on furnaces would eventually escape anyway.

The moment water was squirted into the reactor the whole £3,000,000 structure built to make atomic explosive would be a write-off.

"I was never so frightened in my life," recalls Ross.

So the decision was made. The staff, who by this time were streaming into the huge Windscale works, were ordered to lie under cover. The Chief Constable of Cumberland and Westmorland had already been warned that a wide-scale evacuation might be necessary.

## Suspicion

Tuohy and Bill Crone, the station fire-chief, sweating and breathless in protective suits and respirators, hunched the heavy fire hoses up on 80ft. ladder on to a platform and poked them through plug holes.

Then after ordering everyone else out of the plant Tuohy took cover behind an armoured door, "in case she bumped." At 8.55 a.m. the first jet was turned on.

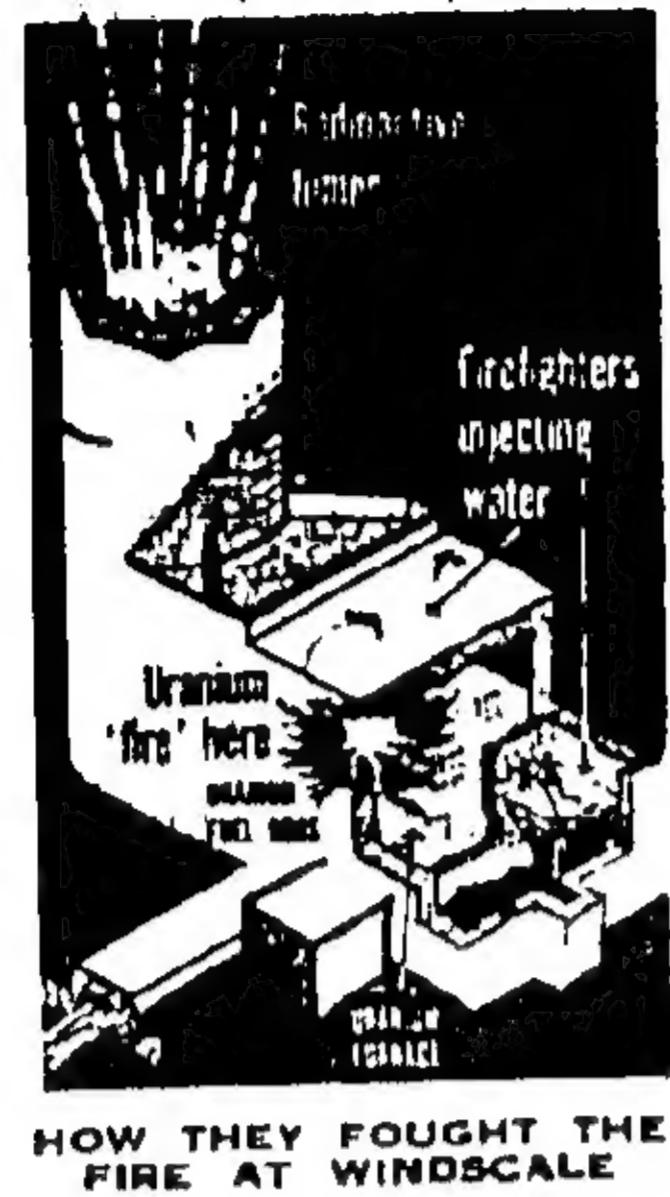
About 16 hours earlier the reactor operators had noticed a slight rise in temperature. As it got worse they began to suspect that one of the uranium fuel-rods had burst.

At this stage the reactor manager, 40-year-old Ron Gossden, decided to report the trouble to Henry Davey, his immediate chief. Ross, who happened, ironically, to be visiting Windscale that day for meeting of the safety committee, joined in the inspection.

He also consulted works manager Tom Hughes who decided to bring into action the built-in scanning device which pins out the position of a burst fuel-rod. He found that the scanner was jammed by the heat.

Soon the chart linked with the filter-trap on top of the high chimney showed that really "hot" radioactive fumes were going up the flue.

Now revealed in irresistible detail—what really brought a peril to Britain that man had never faced before



HOW THEY FOUGHT THE FIRE AT WINDSCALE

It had no effect and by early morning it was clear that water was the only hope.

## Steam

At this stage Ross sent a message to Sir Leonard Owen, overall chief of the Windscale project, that they had been forced to squirt water into the burning furnace.

Owen flew straight down, arriving at Windscale on Friday lunchtime. By this time Tuohy, aided by Donald Ireland, the chief engineer, and the firemen had been pumping water into the reactor for several hours.

After the first dousing of the white-hot uranium had failed to produce a "bump," the hoses were turned on at high pressure. Huge quantities of steam billowed up the chimney but there was no hydrogen explosion.

## It works

Says Tuohy: "Not until we shut off the air, which we had not do until we had the alternative cooling effect of the water, did the reactor begin to cool down rapidly."

The gamble had worked. When Tuohy went to bed he knew the fire was licked. It was dead out by 3 p.m. the following day.

At this point Ken Saddington turned to Ross and said: "Well, we are in a hell of a mess."

Ross replied: "It's nothing compared with the inquiry coming afterwards."

But for Sir Leonard Owen the worst news of all was more immediate.

By midday Saturday the routine sampling of local milk supplies showed that radioactive iodine had escaped through the filters and polluted the ground on which the cattle were feeding.

## Destruction

The destruction of thousands of gallons of milk with the inconvenience and scare this was bound to cause was inevitable.

The atom-men who had moved into a peaceful part of Cumberland to build their factory expected anger and resentment from the local residents following this first major accident.

But when Owen visited the local pub, The Sillpark for a drink the residents could hardly have been calmer.

Over the next months the scientists learned more from the reactor's cold carcass than they could have learned from any deliberate experiment costing £3,000,000.

The gaunt, useless blockhouse now serves as a memorial to mid-twentieth-century man's ignorance of the atom's quirks of behaviour. It is also a monument to the handful of men whose resolute action and courage in the face of unprecedented danger saved the nation from possible catastrophe.

—London Express Services.

by CHAPMAN PINCHER

Huge electric fans to blow air through the reactor were turned on in the hope of keeping the remaining graphite cool.

Units monitoring the countryside radioed reports that radioactivity was getting through the filter.

## Flames

At 4.30 p.m. on the Thursday Hughes and Gauzen decided the time had come to take a look inside the furnace. Cautiously, and in defiance of normal safety measures, they opened one of the iron holes through which the uranium was fused solid and the tip of the steel probes buckled.

About 100 scientists and workers were involved in different ways in subduing the fire but only eight could work at a time on the big hoist serving the front face of the reactor.

Soon after midnight, when it was clear the fire was out of control, Tuohy phoned the chief constable at Penrith. Hundreds of policemen were ordered to get up, dress and be ready for possible evacuation of the countryside.

The phone rang at 4.45 p.m. in Tuohy's home two miles away. He raced to the factory.

He had more plugholes opened up to see the extent of the fire.

## Fire-break

About 150 channels of the uranium were ablaze with bluish flames licking into the tons of surrounding graphite—a purpled form of charcoal which was glowing like a brazier.

The only thing to do was to unload the uranium rods not yet affected to make a fire-break round the burning zone. This race against time took

At 4 a.m. Tuohy tried forcing in carbon dioxide gas in the hope that it might blanket the flames which were now leaping from possible catastrophe.

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## GREAT EXPECTATIONS . . . BY JAK



"Ang on, can't yer, dear old dad ain't even filled it in yet"

London Express Services

## To Bardot and Dors: the same questions on going to be a mother



BRIGITTE

DIANA

TWO ACTRESSES internationally famous as symbols of womanhood are expecting babies in February. Our writers put identical questions to them on motherhood.

Peter Evans went to the Surrey home of 29-year-old Diana Dors (Mrs Dickie Dawson) and the star with the famous pouting lower lip answered the questions with alacrity, enthusiasm, and a sincerity seldom associated with the brittle blonde with the built-in wisecrack. In Paris Rosalie Macara went to see Brigitte Bardot (Mme Jacques Charrer). The star with the famous pouting upper lip was less enthusiastic, lying in bed disinterestedly flicking through the pages of a magazine.

She, like Miss Dors, gave frank replies.

**Q** Do you want a boy or a girl?

**BARDOT** It is all one to me really, but I think a boy.

**DORS** I don't find it much of a joke.

**BARDOT** At the beginning I wanted a girl. Now I have got to the stage where I don't care.

**DORS** Well, I have a very relaxed, easy attitude towards life. I feel fit and well and on top of the world.

**Q** Had you planned to have a family now?

**BARDOT** I never do anything by chance!

**DORS** Naturally.

**Q** What sacrifices and changes will you make in your life for the child?

**BARDOT** The same sacrifices as any mother would make.

**Q** What names have you chosen?

**BARDOT** Are you frightened at the thought of childbirth?

**DORS** I certainly am, but I'm afraid I cannot find any way of avoiding it.

**DORS** Not really frightened. What's the word? Curious... No, apprehensive. Slightly in awe.

**Q** Why did you have no children in your first marriage?

**BARDOT** Because I didn't feel like having any then.

**DORS** Because we didn't, I suppose.

**Q** Have you any press cuttings about yourself before you started a family which you would prefer your child not to see?

**BARDOT** By the time my child is old enough to read there will be a million more stories about me so what is the use of worrying?

**DORS** No, I shall take great delight in showing them when the time comes. I hope he or she will have a sense of humour. It's all nonsense after all.

—London Express Services.

## QUOTE

—by Mr Christmas Humphreys, QC, at Canterbury Quarter Sessions.

THESE are some people who get quite excited and pugnacious on one sherry; and others, I find it hard to believe, who can drink 12 pints of beer with no effect.

—by Professor C. F. Carter, of Manchester University, in a paper read to the Royal Society of Arts in London.

ARE we any happier or more secure, for being richer? Our prisons are full, violence and theft are common, signs of nervous strain are often to be seen. Are we really richer for being able to pack ourselves like sardines into a rush-hour bus?



"...And when the Russians have softened themselves up, then, gentlemen, we attack!"

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# WOMANSENSE



THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10

**AQUARIUS** (2) (January 21-February 19): An invitation from a friend to visit him abroad will cheer you up considerably, even though it is impossible for you to accept.

**PISCES** (10) (February 20-March 20): Although sorely tempted to give way in an argument, you should remain true to your principles.

**ARIES** (12) (March 21-April 19): An excellent opportunity may slip through your fingers because you cannot make up your mind.

**TAURUS** (9) (April 20-May 18): Keep your temper even though you may be thoroughly exasperated by a colleague's stubborn attitude. You will get your own way in the end.

**GEMINI** (5) (May 21-June 21): Your lively description of a funny incident will cause great amusement at a party tonight.

**CANCER** (7) (June 22-July 21): Arrange beforehand to share expenses with a friend who wants to go on a journey with you.

## JACOBY on BRIDGE

**WEST'S** three spade bid was intended to stir things up and it certainly had the desired effect except that when things settled down East and West wished they had left the waters unmuddled.

North refused to be shut out and after East raised to four spades, South first bid a Blackwood four no-trump and then

NORTH	29
♦Q94	
♦AKJ987	
♦62	
♦Q4	
WEST	EAST
♦A108652	♦KJ7
♦32	♦Q104
♦4	♦J10853
♦7632	♦498
SOUTH (D)	
♦3	
♦65	
♦AKQ97	
♦AKJ105	
North-South vulnerable	
South West North East	
1 ♦ 3 ♠ 4 ♣ 4 ♠	Pass
4 N.T. Pass 5 ♠ Pass	Pass
6 ♠ Pass Pass Pass	
Opening lead—♦A	

tried six clubs. North did not know exactly what was going on and followed the principle of "when in doubt, pass!"

It proved to be quite a decision. There was no play at all for any other slam and with the opening of ace and another spade South ran off 12 tricks by means of a squeeze against East.

It wasn't very complicated. South ruffed the second spade and drew trumps. East had to make two discards. One diamond discard was no bother. The second discard had to be another diamond. He could not afford to throw the king of spades or to unguard the queen of hearts and he had to hope that West would hold one of the three top diamonds.

Of course, South had those cards and the second diamond discard established the whole suit for him.

## W-CARD Sends

—The bidding has been:  
East South West North  
1 ♠ Double Pass 1 ♠  
Pass 7  
You, South, hold:  
♦AQ76 ♠AKQ103 ♣Q4288  
What do you do?

—Bid three hearts only. You have overwhelming trump strength, but there is a great deal missing in the other suits.

**TODAY'S QUESTION**  
Instead of one heart, your partner has responded two hearts to your double. What do you do now?

Answer tomorrow



## Eye Injuries No Winking Matter

"IN the twinkling of an eye" means, I suppose, in the time that it takes to wink, and a remarkably short time it is, too.

Winking has to be done quickly if it's to be of any value. It is done not only to keep the eye moist but also to respond to some danger which may be threatening. Considering how extremely vulnerable the eyes are to injury it's really astonishing that they don't get damaged far more often than they do. All the same, there is perhaps no first-aid treatment more important than the simple care of eye accidents.

**FOREIGN BODIES** useful thing to use. Then—off to the doctor's.

First, there are the so-called "foreign bodies" of the eye. These can range from flies drowned in tears, to bread crumbs, or minute particles of metal. They all have this in common—they feel the size of cannon balls and they all cause a sharp pain and a mighty lot of discomfort.

To remove a foreign body you first put the patient in a good light, take off his spectacles and put your own on—if you want them. Very lightly and gingerly try to flick the invader off the surface of the eye with the corner of a very clean handkerchief.

If the trouble is in the upper lid, try to get it out gently pulling the upper lid over the lower one, thus allowing it to slide over the latter. Try this several times. If these simple ruses don't succeed it's time to look up the time of the doctor's next surgery and to let the patient go along there.

**BURNS AND BLACK EYES** Never apply pressure. The sooner the doctor can see the injury the better.

**IF an eye has been pierced by a sharp object don't do anything yourself.** Cover the affected eye with a shield which must on no account press on the eyeball. A piece of brown paper tied by a tape round the forehead, is the least attractive but most

Black eyes rarely need any treatment beyond cold bathing. Generally, it's your husband's temper (or your own) which calls for attention. If the black eye has been caused by a very severe blow it is generally safer to go to the doctor's or to the local hospital and, if necessary, an X-ray will be done to make sure you haven't damaged the bone.

**BANG IN FASHION** are the big collared coats (one so like my own winter one that I'm beginning to suspect the London manufacturers of pinning).

**BANG IN FASHION** are the simple little dresses with loose

"Sparrow, my boy, why are you standing on this roof looking at those beautiful Ducks? Why don't you fly up and join them? Why don't you go where they're going?"

"And did you?" asked Hanid. "I certainly did," said Chirpie, "and, as it turned out, it was the most foolish thing a Sparrow like me ever did in his life."

Chirpie Sparrow answered very simply: "But I don't see what was so foolish about flying with a flock of Ducks," Knauf said.

"You don't understand," said Chirpie. "The minute I joined those wild Ducks, I began to think I was a wild Duck myself. Instead of chirping I started to honk, I mean I tried my best to honk. It was a chirping kind of honk, but it was the best I could do."

"Tame Ducks quack! Wild Ducks honk!" he finally said.

"But you're a Sparrow!" said Knauf. "That's just it," said Chirpie. "And when a Sparrow pretends he's a duck, many peculiar things happen!"

Knauf and Hanid asked Chirpie to tell them exactly what had happened. So Chirpie, after finishing the last of the breakfast bread-crumb and after neatly wiping his bill on the stony edge of the window sill, told them what had happened.

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**Peculiar Noise** "Very early this morning, when the sun was just beginning to rise, I heard a peculiar noise in the sky. It was a sound like an automobile honking its horn."

"Now I know as well as anyone that automobiles don't ride in the sky, so I was quite sure that the honking didn't

happen."

## Rupert and the Whistlefish—42



The newcomer lifts Rupert on to a low platform and places round his feet a bright cushion. Then, with a beaming smile, he bows and retires. At once the king takes the little bear into another room where there are lots of fine things to eat and drink, and, sinking on

to one of the largest cushions Rupert has ever seen, signs to him to do the same. "I'm making a fuss of me!" cries Rupert. "But it isn't fair! Sailor Sam's the one you should be thanking! Why isn't he here?"

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## The new revolution in Russia

THEY'RE AS CHIC AS THE COAT ON MY BACK



IT COULD BE  
ON A BEACH  
IN THE CARIBBEAN  
... BUT THIS IS  
THE PEOPLE'S NEW LOOK  
FOR RUSSIA

By JILL  
BUTTERFIELD

case dinner-jacket, topping a wide shirt with a suspicion of fine front pleating.

**BANG IN FASHION** are the ankle-length evening dresses.

Ahead of fashion are the children's clothes — little Tyrolean shorts or sun-suits for some pretty Black Sea side resort. One small girl wears a piped, red-and-white number — rather a rather reactionary parasol. And I've never seen such a plutocratic looking bunch of babies anywhere.

London dress designer Charles Creed (who's family have been making top-class clothes since 1710) told me the children's clothes were the only ones which attracted him at all on his visit to Russia this summer.

"They are extremely well-dressed," he said, "the clothes are made in good cloth, pretty colours and are cheerful and warm looking"—but Mr Creed had not seen Modi.

Most surprising of all to me—

the section devoted to men's clothes. Pictured on a model, the costume of the playboy of the Western world, is a chart-

IT COULD BE  
MAN ABOUT  
MAYFAIR—BUT  
IT'S MOSCOW.  
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At Home

THE snag to it all? With the best fabrics and workers still busy making uniforms the Russian clothing industry is pitifully behind the times. Not one of these garments can be bought in the shops. For Modi is a magazine to sell paper patterns—and all the work must be done at home.

But Mrs Khrushchev's whiff of the West might have done the trick. After all, it shouldn't be difficult to turn a little rocket factory into a big rag-trade one. Luniks take up more room than lingerie,

I think they'd find there was more demand for tweed suits than space suits. Mine, Nita, it's over to you.



Santa told us—We'll tell you

**Gift Suggestions**



• LOVELY PURE SILK SQUARES FROM SWITZERLAND

• DAINTY ALL SILK SQUARES FROM FRANCE

• SCARF AND GLOVE SETS

• WOOL AND NYLON SCARVES

• PURE MOHAIR STOLES

• NEW FRENCH STOLES

• PENELOPE TAPESTRIES

• TOILET BAGS

• NEEDLE CASES

• HANKIE SACHETS

• DOROTHY SEWING BAGS

• NIGHTDRESS CASES

• LADIES PYJAMA CASES

• GIFT BOXED HANDKERCHIEFS

• LACE TRIMMED HANKIES

• EMBROIDERED HANKIES

• LEATHER HANDBAGS

• EVENING BAGS

• DIAMANTE EVENING BAGS

• Whiteaways  
YOUR CHRISTMAS STORES

# Brabham, Moss Or Brooks Can Win World Drivers' Championship At Sebring

British racing driver Tony Brooks, currently third in the World Drivers' Championship standings, commented on his reported possible retirement in an article published in the American weekly, Sports Illustrated, today. "It has been rumoured in the press that my future in racing depends upon the outcome of Sebring", declared Brooks, referring to the United States Grand Prix at Sebring, Florida, on Saturday—last Formula one race of the season.

"If I win the championship perhaps I am expected to retire. The advent of family responsibilities and a wife and I have a new daughter, has probably led to this line of thought. I am a dentist and do not have to motor-race for my livelihood. Every year, consequently, I find myself weighing the pros and cons of continuing racing. No doubt I shall do so again."

In the article Brooks measured his chances and those of Australia's Jack Brabham and Britain's Stirling Moss to take the world championship.

## 'Must Win'

One thing is certain, I must win the race to win the championship. A win would give me a further eight points, 31 in all, and equal to Brabham if he finished in no better than third position. Although I would finish with the same number of points as Brabham I would win the championship on the basis of having won three Grand Prix events to Brabham's two.

Moss, on the other hand, could win the championship if he finished second, providing he also made the fastest lap and Brabham finished no higher than third. Moss's position

## NOTICE

### THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

5th Race Meeting 1959/60—First Day

Owners are reminded that Declarations of starters and riders close at the Secretary's Office, Happy Valley, at 10.00 a.m. on:

Friday, 11th December, 1959.

A. E. ARNOLD,  
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 9th Dec., 1959.

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(To be held under the Rules of the Hong Kong Jockey Club)

THE PROGRAMME WILL CONSIST OF 10 RACES.  
The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and the First Race run at 2.00 p.m. on both days.

The Secretary's Office at Alexandra House will close at 11.45 a.m. on both days.

#### MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

No Person without an admission badge, which must be prominently displayed throughout the meeting, will be admitted. Admission Badges at \$10.00 each per day are obtainable during office hours from the Club's Cash Sweep Offices, at Queen's Building, Chater Road, 5, D'Aguilar Street, King's Road, North Point, and 382 Nathan Road, only on the written introduction of a Member.

ADMISSION BADGES WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE AT THE RACE COURSE ON RACE DAYS.

Tickets will be obtainable at the Club House if ordered in advance from the No. 1 Bay (Tel. 72811).

NO CHILDREN under the age of seventeen years, Western Standard will be admitted to the Club's premises during the Meeting.

#### PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission will be \$3.00 each per day payable at the Gate.

Any person leaving the Enclosure will be required to pay the requisite fee of \$3.00 in order to gain re-admission.

MEALS AND REFRESHMENTS will be available in the RESTAURANT.

#### CASH SWEEPS

Through Cash Sweep Tickets at \$16.00 each per day and \$24.00 for both days may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Offices at Queen's Building, (Chater Road), 5, D'Aguilar Street and 382 Nathan Road, Kowloon, during office hours.

Tickets reserved and available but not paid for by 10.00 a.m. on Friday, 11th December, 1959, will be sold and the reservation cancelled for future meetings.

Special Cash Sweep Tickets at \$2.00 each on the Pearce Memorial Cup, scheduled to be run on 13th December, 1959 and Cash Sweep Tickets at \$2.00 each for the last race on 18th December, 1959, may be obtained from the Club's Cash Sweep Offices.

The Office hours of the Club's Cash Sweep Offices are as follows:

Queen's Building (Chater Road) and 5, D'Aguilar Street, Hong Kong on:

Week-days, Mondays to Fridays .... 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Saturdays 5th December ..... 9 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

Saturday 12th and

Saturday 19th December ..... 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

King's Road, North Point, Hong Kong and 382 Nathan Road, Kowloon on:

Week-days, Mondays to Fridays .... 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Saturday 5th December ..... 9 a.m. to 11.45 a.m.

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Saturday 19th December ..... 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

By Order of the Stewards,  
A. E. Arnold,  
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 5th December, 1959.

New York, Dec. 9.  
British racing driver Tony Brooks, currently third in the World Drivers' Championship standings, commented on his reported possible retirement in an article published in the American weekly, Sports Illustrated, today.

"It has been rumoured in the press that my future in racing depends upon the outcome of Sebring", declared Brooks, referring to the United States Grand Prix at Sebring, Florida, on Saturday—last Formula one race of the season.

McLaren, the New Zealand representative, will team with American Master Gregory in a Cooper Climax.

Other top entrants are France's Maurice Trintignant (Cooper Climax), Germany's Wolfgang Von Trippen (Ferrari), America's Harry Schell (Cooper Climax) and Mike Taylor (Cooper Maserati).

Venezuelan Estoril Chimenti will pilot Maserati and Argentine Alejandro De Tommaso an Ocen.

## Newcomers

The number of cars representing each stable is five Cooper Climax, four Ferrari, three Lotus two Maserati, two one Ocen, one Porsche, one Connaught, one Kurtis Kraft, one Opelbauer and one Tex Mac.

The last two-named cars are newcomers to big races and it will be curious to see how they perform, as well as their drivers.

The Kurtis Kraft, a "dwarf" compared to the standard racing cars, will be driven by American veteran Jim Rath-

## RUGBY RESULTS

London, Dec. 9.  
Results of today's Rugby Union county championship matches were:

Dorset and Wiltshire 22,  
Oxfordshire 11.  
Eastern Counties 3, Hampshire 6.  
Hertfordshire 10, Sussex 0.  
Surrey 5, Middlesex 0.—Reuter.

man. Another American who was runner-up in the last two Indianapolis 500-mile events, will be at the wheel of the Tex Mac.

The Tex Mac is a creation of Italian engineer Valerio Colotti, the man who perfected the new gearbox for the Cooper Climax used this year by Moss. The Tex Mac weighs less than 600 kilos. It has a tubular chassis with four independent wheels, and a 270 horsepower Maserati motor.

## Prizes

The \$114,250 prizes in the U.S. Grand Prix organized by the Florida Automobile Club, will be split up as follows: \$6,000 to the winner, \$4,000 to the second placer, \$2,000 to the third, \$1,000 to the fourth, \$750 to the fifth and \$500 to the sixth. Many other prizes in money and goods offered by commercial firms will be awarded.

The Sebring track is partly airport flying strips and partly roadway. It varies in width from 20 metres on the strips to eight metres on the roadways. Part of the surfaces are cement, and part are asphalt or macadam. Several sections of the track are pretty hard and the surfacing very rough.

The track has a dozen turns, three of which are slow (40 to 55 kilometres per hour). The others can be taken at average speeds of from 110 to 145 kilometres per hour and few at 160 kilometres and over. Unlike the canted European tracks, Sebring is completely flat.—AFP.

# Malayan Skipper Bowled



The Malayan cricket team's skipper M. Sathasivam is seen here being clean bowled by L. G. Ebert after scoring 38 runs in the Malayan's match against the President's XI at Sookunpoo last Tuesday.

The Malayans won the match by 36 runs to chalk up their second successive victory in Hongkong. Today they continue their two-day match which began yesterday, against the Combined Services at Club de Recreio. — China Mail photo.

## MCC Players Seasick

On board the 'Camila', Dec. 9.

Several MCC players have been seasick as a result of rough weather encountered on the first day of their trip to the West Indies.

However, the sea has not been as rough as expected, but plans for daily physical training have been shelved until the cricketers get their "sea legs".

Among many farewell messages received by Mr. R. W. V. Robins were cables from the Duke of Norfolk and Mr. H. S. Altham, president of the MCC.—China Mail Special.

# Pakistan Score Upset Win Over Iran In Asian Cup Soccer

Ernakulam, Dec. 9.  
Pakistan defeated Iran by four goals to one here today in the Asian Cup West Zone football tournament at the Maharaja's College grounds.

It was a great victory for unfancied Pakistan against favourites Iran. All the goals were scored in the first half. Centre-forward Ummer scored three and outside-right Fakir once for Pakistan. Outside-right Hajji Mokhtar netted Iran's only goal.

It was a closely fought and lively match, especially in the first half. Pakistan struck phenomenal form today to confound followers of form. Their defence rose to great heights while their forwards were simply brilliant. Centre-forward Ummer was the hero of the day and his goals were the result of uncanny opportunism and thrust.

Iran played clean and methodical football but were unlucky to see their efforts go astray. It was Iran who took the lead in the tenth minute when Hajji Mokhtar found the net with a smart right-footer from just outside the penalty box. Pakistan fought back and ten minutes later Ummer levelled the score with a powerful shot. In the 27th minute Pakistan forged ahead when Fakir Hussain beat the whole Iran defence with a sudden spurt of speed and scored. Ummer added two more brilliant goals to put his team four-one up.—AFP.

Barcelona In Soccer Final

Barcelona, Dec. 9.

Ken Mackay, right-arm medium-pace bowler, was top of the bowling averages with 10 wickets at 19 runs apiece.

Baranif Mohammad, 24-year-old Pakistani who scored an undefeated century in the third and final Test today, headed his side's batting averages with 69.80. Most runs were scored by Saeed Ahmed with 334, averaging 35.00. He has now scored 1,041 runs in 11 Tests.

Medium-pace bowler Fazal Mahmood took 11 Australian wickets at a cost of 19.27 apiece.—China Mail Special.

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## ARMY MAN IN COMMAND

Capt. Frank Reynolds, of the Army Physical Training Corps, stationed at Aldershot headquarters, has been appointed manager of the British hockey team for the Olympic Games in Rome next year. Recently back from tours of duty in Singapore and Berlin, Capt. Reynolds has played twelve times for England and won a silver medal at the 1948 Olympics—Banbury Service.

Hong Kong, 5th December, 1959.

# SCANDALS OF SPORT

## THE FANTASTIC DERBY OF 1844

By REX LAWRENCE

William Crockford, greatest gamblers and owner of the notorious Crockford's Gaming Club, sat in his accustomed window seat overlooking London's fashionable St. James's.

Sporting dandies, strolling to their own clubs, waved to him.

But the old bookmaker only stared blankly in reply.

William Crockford was dead.

Behind this macabre incident lay one of the most amazing stories of fraud that the Turf has ever known.

It is a bright June day in 1844. The two stands that dominate rolling Epsom Downs, Tatton's and the Silver Ring, are jam-packed with top-hatted gentlemen sportsmen. The free space across the track is alive with the colour, sound and activity of fair-ground hawkers, gypsies and bookmakers.

The atmosphere is electric with anticipation. It is Derby Day—the Blue Riband event of Britain's racing calendar.

### Mad Scramble

Out of an original entry of 153 horses for the great event only 29 final acceptors remain, but they represent the cream of Europe's thoroughbreds.

Bookmakers report brisk business. Ratan, owned by William Crockford, proprietor of the notorious Crockford's Gaming Club at St. James's, is a hot favourite.

But Orlando and his stable companion Ionian, both running in Colonel Jonathan Peel's colours, are also being well supported.

Then suddenly there is a mad scramble to get money on Running Rein. The experts are baffled. One form Running Rein is a useful horse, but the value of the betting is well out of proportion.

Humanity spreads like wildfire among the crowd that Levy Goodman, a shady character who recently sold Running Rein to his present owner Anthony Wood, has backed it to win £100,000.

And as the field canters down to the starting line, the odds on Running Rein are cut down from 20-to-1 to 10-to-1.

### False Starts

Twice the starter's flag fell to false starts in that fabulous Derby of 1844. But finally the 20 contestants were away. The German-bred colt Leander jumped into the lead and set a flying pace. But Ratan, The Ugly Buck and Running Rein were close behind.

They raced in this order until they reached the hill Down the dip. Running Rein made a turn and as he passed the field he kicked Leander, breaking his fetlock. (Leander was later found to be badly hurt that he had to be shot).

For a moment The Ugly Buck challenged the leader, but as the field swept round Tattenham Corner, Running Rein was well in front.

In the last furlong, Orlando and Ionian put in a supreme effort, but Running Rein kept his lead and passed the post three-quarters of a length ahead of Orlando. It was a great race.

### Objection

But the shouting had hardly died down when Colonel Peel lodged an objection to the winner. And that was the spark that ignited the investigation that nearly blasted horse racing off the face of the earth.

Colonel Peel's objection was made at the instigation of Lord George Bentinck, one of the leading noblemen of the Turf. It claimed the race for Orlando on the ground that Running Rein had no right to the name he bore but was in fact a "ringer"—a four-year-old horse named Macabre.

The Derby, premier classic of British racing since its inauguration in 1780, has always been confined to three-year-olds.

If Colonel Peel's allegation was true it meant that Running Rein, or Macabre, had had an advantage of one stone five pounds at weight-for-age over the Derby distance.

In terms of physical advantage, that would be equal to matching a professional world boxing champion against a college amateur.

### Disqualified

Clearly, it was too big a case for the Epsom authorities to handle. They referred it to the Jockey Club. Pending a decision, the prize money was paid into court.

The stewards of the Jockey Club disqualified Running Rein as a four-year-old after a secret meeting and awarded the race to Orlando.

Anthony Wood, owner of Running Rein, could have let the master next there, but instead he decided to fight and brought

an action against Colonel Peel. He wanted, he said, to vindicate his horse and his own name.

But the real reason it was later discovered, was that he had backed Running Rein for a fortune.

The action was heard in July that year before Baron Alderson and a special jury at Westminster.

Wood claimed that his horse was a three-year-old and no more. The pedigree he produced was genuine.

If Wood was sincere, then the evidence that followed must have practically shaken him out of his skin.

### Shocked

Lord George, Colonel Peel's star witness, took the stand. And the story he told shocked the racing fraternity.

Lord George proved that while Levy Goodman had owned both Running Rein and Macabre, they had changed identity. And to strengthen Goodman's deception, the real Running Rein had been destroyed.

The switch had not been a hard fact. Both horses had been buried, each with four black legs and the little patch of white hair on the forehead. It had been difficult to tell them apart.

Except that Running Rein, the three-year-old, had been a mediocre horse, while Macabre, the four-year-old, had shown signs of greatness.

### Shady Reputation

"Ringing" Macabre for Running Rein for the Derby had been a cunning and seemingly undetectable move. And it might have worked had not Lord George set himself the task of clearing the Turf of undesirables.

His first subject of investigation was Lord George, had been Levy Goodman, who already had a shady reputation among racing men after having openly accused of completely false starts in another scandal at Newmarket in 1840.

One contemporary newspaper report said: "Mr. Goodman has several ugly blot and not a few mysteries to account for."

But in the middle of Lord George's investigation, early in 1844, Goodman had parted with what was thought to be Running Rein. The buyer, Anthony Wood, corn merchant of Epsom, to whom Goodman had owed a large sum of money.

Goodman had been planning to pull off the biggest ever in racing history. He had offered to sell the bogus Running Rein to Wood for £200 plus the cancellation of the debt.

There had been one stipulation—Wood had to run the horse in the Derby.

Lord George's evidence proved beyond all doubt that a switch had in fact taken place. But Wood himself insisted that he had known nothing about it.

### Disappeared

There was one certain way of deciding the case, the judge proposed. The horse should be made available for examination by a court-appointed expert. It would be easy to tell his age by his teeth.

Then on the day set for the examination came a sensational development. A hushed and tense court heard Anthony Wood say that Running Rein had disappeared without trace from his stable.

What the court thought of this was obvious from the reaction of the judge. He ordered the jury to find for Colonel Peel.

But despite the findings against Wood it was the type of clever trickster. For later it was learned that Levy Goodman had fled the country after slitting and burying the horse. When the body of the animal was eventually found, its head was missing.

This might have been the end of the strangest Derby in history. But early Victorian racetrack rogues did not do things by halves.

In the Derby of 1844, Running Rein had not been the only "ringer."

The "bitter" horse, who had made such a fine showing at the start of the eventual race, the German-bred Leander, was now also discovered to have been a little longer in the tooth than had been claimed.

### Hat-Trick For Pat And Alan



For the third year running, the Martini awards for Horseman and Horsewoman of the Year have been presented to Alan Oliver and Pat Smythe. The awards were announced last week at the annual general meeting of the British Show Jumping Association, at which the names of the seven nominated riders, with their horses, selected to train for next year's Olympics were also announced. They are: Wilf White with Scorchin and Nizetka; Pat Smythe, with Whistle and Grand Manan; Colonel Cecil Blacker, with Workboy; Ann Townsend with Bandy; David Broome with Wildfire; David Barker with France; and Mrs. Dawn Wofford with Holland.

Photo shows Alan Oliver and Pat Smythe after the presentation of the awards.—London Express photo.

fashionable strollers in the street below, until a carrier pigeon brought the Derby result.

But, unknown to Wood and his friends, the plot had already failed. The objection to running Rein had frozen all betting negotiations.

—(London Express Service).

### PEN SKETCHES OF MCC TOURISTS

#### BRIAN STATHAM—THE OVERNIGHT SENSATION WHO CAME TO STAY

Brian Statham is the overnight sensation who came to stay. In May, 1950 he was a keen but not outstanding young bowler in League cricket. He had a trial for Lancashire and within two weeks took his place in the county side—all without any coaching.

He had two months in first class cricket that summer and in December was flown out to Australia with Lancashire colleague off-spinner Roy Tattersall to strengthen the MCC team.

But coming into top cricket when Alce Bedser was in his prime, Freddie Trueman on the way up and Fred Bailey an England regular, Statham had to fight for his place.

#### Headed Averages

He established it in the West Indies in 1954 when he headed the Test averages with 16 wickets at 28.75 each. His was one of the first blows that brought about a turn of the tide in that series. Having lost the first two Tests, England went to Georgetown where Statham's opening spell got rid of Worrell, Stollmeyer and Walcott for ten runs. England won by nine wickets.

His greatest triumph came the following year when, in company with Frank Tyson, he bowled England to a 3-1 victory. The Tyson-Statham partnership struck terror into the hearts of Australian batsmen.

Last season Statham topped the English bowling averages with 139 wickets at 15.01 each. He headed the Test bowling averages with 17 wickets at an average of 13.11.

#### Best No. 11

Helped by two not-outs in his first innings he also freakishly headed the Test batting averages. It is no empty praise to describe him as the best Number Eleven in England. His well-aimed left-handed blows more often than not achieve their intentions.

As a Test bowler, Statham has achieved many fine performances overseas. He has in fact played more times for his country outside England than for his own.

—(London Express Service).

### BOOKS AND SPORT

#### It Wasn't Cricket

By CHARLES STEPHEN

If the flying fists, stick-wielding, shirt-ripping and general fury of the mob were any indication, the umpire's verdict was not universally approved. Then one of the captains objected to the umpire carrying on.

The captain was David Gregory, leader of New South Wales. For this was not a back-street game of cricket, but a first-class fixture at Sydney in 1870 against M.C.C. tourists.

The story of the riot is told in Australian Cricket: A History, by A. G. (Johnnie) Moyes (Angus and Robertson) 45s.

The trouble began when William Murdoch, later to captain Australia, was run out.

With his stumps not out, he had been the saviour of a disappointing New South Wales first innings and now with the home side 100 behind, local fans hoped for a repeat performance.

#### Struck

Hundreds of spectators invaded the pitch and surrounded the English captain, Lord Harris.

One of them struck Harris with a stick. Hornby, an English player, grabbed the assailant and dragged him to the pavilion, getting a punch in the face and his shirt almost torn from his back for his pains.

And Lord Harris? For an hour and a half he remained on the field, surrounded by the hostile mob on the grounds that if our side left the field the other eleven could claim the match. I determined to obey the laws of cricket.—London Express Service.

### Paternity

#### Charge Against Sugar Ray

New York, Dec. 9. Middleweight boxing champion Sugar Ray Robinson denied in a Special Sessions Court today that he is the father of a six-year-old boy.

Justice Ludwig Glowa set Feb. 4 for trial of the paternity charge.

Barbara Trevigne, a Negro, has charged that Robinson, who is also a Negro, has admitted paternity and made irregular payments toward the boy's support.

Robinson, asked that the trial be set after his Jan. 22 fight date with Paul Pender in Boston.

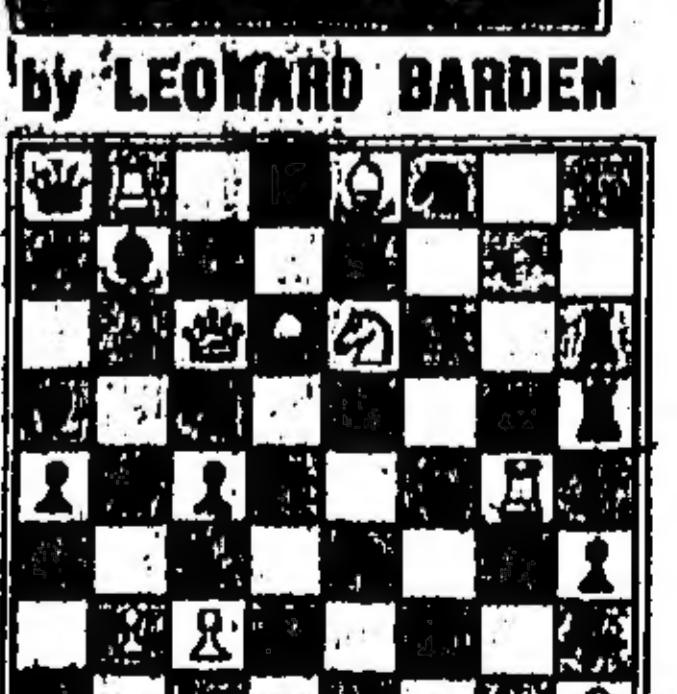
Asked by the judge why he couldn't appear on Jan. 22, Robinson replied: "I might be beat up too bad."

"I don't think you'll do that bad," Mr. Robinson, smiled the justice.

Robinson, trying to avoid photographers, ran down four flights of stairs after his court appearance.—AP.

### CHESS

By LEONARD BARDEEN



Here is a problem by D. L. Winn (Observer, 1931). White to play and mate in two moves.

London Express Service.

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## IMPRESSIVE CEREMONY AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE

At an impressive ceremony at Government House today, the Governor, Sir Robert Black, presented 35 people with decorations they had been awarded in the Queen's birthday honours.

Three women were among the recipients of the awards. Sir Robert was regal in his silver-epauletted full dress uniform with ceremonial sword. Red and black, robed, the Chief Justice, Sir Michael Hogan, wearing a shoulder-length wig, read the citations. Photographers flash bulbs popped and television and movie cameras whirred as those honoured by the Queen stepped on to the red-carpet-covered dais to receive their awards.

Big factories are booked up to June next year.

An American order (US\$150,000) for dolls has been lost because local plants are unable to fulfill it.

Contractors have gone up by 30 per cent for all plastic toy, of which 70 per cent are of the polystyrene kind (hard, rigid type).

At the present rate of export it is estimated that local plastic toy will total \$65,000,000 by the end of this year, at 50 per cent increase over 1958.

Major items among the exports are dolls and figurines.

The biggest market is America, followed by the United Kingdom.

New markets this year are the Netherlands, New Zealand, Belgium, Sweden, Australia, Canada, Venezuela, South Africa and Malaya.

An executive of a big factory told the China Mail that plastic toy manufacturers look forward to a bright and steady future.

It considers toy exports more long-lasting than plastic flowers.

"While the letter is a decorative article, toys are here to stay as long as the world loves children," he added.

### Girl, Woman Hurt

A seven-year-old girl, Ho Yinn-ping, living at 39 Caine Road, first floor, was knocked down and injured by a private car near her home at about 1 p.m. yesterday.

A woman, Tam Lai-kuen, aged 22, of 4 Soy Street, third floor, sustained injuries when she fell from a bus in Nathan Road, near Soy Street shortly before midnight last night.

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## Deaf And Dumb Romance

A happy young deaf and dumb couple proved today that love can find a way—even through a world of silence.

American Chinese, Jack Hong, 39, of Oakland, California, arrived in Hongkong exactly one month ago looking for a wife and happiness.

Today when he looked lovingly into the eyes of beautiful Kam Kit-kan, 20, as they walked hand in hand down the steps of the Kowloon Registry Office, Jack knew that he had found both.

Four hours later the couple both strict Lutherans, were married in the church of their faith.

Jack, a hard-working shoemaker in California, said through a friend in sign language that as soon as he saw petite, dark-eyed Kam he fell in love with her.

He said that after his first meeting with her, he was frightened that she did not feel the same way about him.

### HINTED

He "told" his friend, Lutheran missionary Peter Chang that he loved Kam and wanted to marry her.

Mr Chang hinted to Kam of Jack's feelings and she said through sign language that she would be very happy to marry Jack.

Then in the conventional way Jack "popped the question."

It only took a few flourishing hand signals and Jack knew that he had won the girl of his choice.

Jack said today through Mr Chang that he intends to take his new bride back to America in early January.

Then with a few happy gestures Jack told the reporter to tell everyone through a story that he was "very happy."

## Bengal Trade Minister

Minister for Trade and Commerce in Bengal, Mr Bhupati Majumdar, passed through Hongkong today after a two-week visit to Japan.

Minister Majumdar who arrived this morning by Air India, had travelled to Japan to attend the opening of an Indian Prototype Machine Factory in Tokyo.

He said that during his stay in Japan he was greatly impressed by the alertness and energy of the Japanese people.

Shortly before his departure he said that he would like to get another opportunity to visit the Orient with "more time in Hongkong."

## 86-YEAR-OLD SHEIKH LEAVES



A member of the Bahrain Royal Family left Hongkong by Air India after a two-day pleasure tour of the Colony.

He is 86-year-old Sheikh Mohammed Bin Issa Al Khalifah, who is the uncle of the present ruler of Bahrain.

Sheikh Issa originally planned to stay in the Colony until Sunday but was forced to leave by severe fatigue.

A spokesman said that it was the first time the Sheikh had ever visited the Orient.

"However, if he gets time I'm sure he will return and plan for a longer stopover," the spokesman added.

## Return Ticket To Stanley

A 35-year-old coolie, Wong Po, who broke into five houses in nine days and stole articles shortly after his discharge from Stanley Prison, was sentenced to four years and six months by Judge B. J. Jennings at the Victoria District Court this morning for burglaries.

Wong was also placed under police supervision for two years.

Chief Inspector T. W. Wheeler, prosecuting, said what made the offences worse was that Wong had broken into the houses of working class people. "The articles he had stolen on each occasion may not be worth more than \$50 but they certainly mean a lot to the owners," he said.

Wong was stopped in Shek Kip Mei on November 11 when carrying a parcel. Questioned, he readily admitted he had stolen the parcel containing a pair of trousers from a house in Tai Hang Tung.

### Admitted

At the police station, Wong admitted five burglaries between November 1 and 9. He told the police that on each occasion he committed the offence by cutting a hole in window wire.

## WRACs ON PARADE



A parade of over 40 members of 22 Independent Platoon, Women's Royal Army Corps, was inspected this morning by the Chief of Staff, HQ Land Forces, Col L. R. Ferguson-Innes. Col Ferguson-Innes was accompanied by Capt M. G. Campbell, CO of the Unit. The Parade Commander was Lieut M. L. S. Read.

From the Files  
25 years ago

December, 1934

FROM the SCM Post's 25 Years Ago column: "It will no doubt come as a surprise to many that there is established in this Colony a factory which is capable of turning out peppermint, curacao, gin and Chinese wines, also a variety of syrups (lemon, orange, etc.) and some fifty different kinds of perfumes, not forgetting the popular Florida Water."

The Victoria Distillery, which has entered upon this branch of business, is situated in Kowloon City Road and has been established for about three years, under the capable management of Mr Souza, a well-known local gentleman. "The prohibitory taxes imposed by Government some few months ago compelled the proprietors of the Victoria Distillery to embark on another branch of business to that for which their plant was originally laid down."

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Playing for Hongkong Cricket Club against the KCC, H. Owen Hughes knocked up a chanceless 104 not out to give his team a big lead in their declared innings of four wickets for 180. Kowloon, replying, scored 91, with E. C. Fincher topscoring with 45. R. Lee scored 13 and for the Hongkong Cricket Club T. A. Pearce took five wickets for 34, while G. R. M. Ricketts took four for 31.

Playing for Hongkong Cricket Club second XI H. J. Armstrong knocked up 59 and G. D. H. Flowerdean, 56, and their team scored seven wickets for 149 in reply to Kowloon Cricket Club's 174 for nine declared. G. Lee scoring 65, P. O. Dunne, 29, H. Hampton, 22, and S. Jezi, not out 15.

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IN the final of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club Championship at Fanling yesterday D. S. Robb beat A. McKellar.

The day's proceedings started with a strike of practically all the caddies who walked out, alleging that a Chinese detective, who was investigating a case of gambling, had brutally assaulted one of their number.

Ricksha coolies were requisitioned for the big match and one or two of the couples also got caddies, but the bulk of the players started off carrying their own clubs. By about 11 o'clock the trouble was over, and the caddies were back at work.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Rubber Trust

Sir.—Referring to the Agents' reply yesterday, Wednesday, to my letter published in your paper of December 8, 1959, would they like to correct their answer under item number 2? I have searched in vain in the usual page of the SCM Post for their particular notice announcing the interim dividend and dates relating to the closure of their books for transfers.

In this morning's issue of the SCM Post, December 10, 1959, two notices were published relating to Alma and Cheng Estate. Has any announcement been made of the sale of Cheng Estate?

BCC

### Suit Stolen

A man was arrested at about 5 p.m. yesterday following the theft of a suit of European-style clothing, valued at \$120, from a private car parked outside 278 Prince Edward Road.